

## **ADVANCE QUESTIONS TO THE REPUBLIC OF MOLDOVA**

### **3<sup>RD</sup> BATCH**

#### **GERMANY**

- What steps does Moldova plan to take to fully eliminate torture and ill-treatment?
- How does the government ensure to respect the rights of female detainees?
- What steps are planned to finalize the implementation of the Justice Sector Reform Strategy and why are court hearings in many high-profile cases declared as “non-public”, i. e. without access for the public, on a regular basis?
- What concrete amendments does the government propose to ensure the constitutionality of law No. 52 (Ombudsman)?
- When does Moldova expect to adopt the new Broadcasting Code?
- What steps does the government plan to take to provide all citizens with access to safe drinking water and to safe sanitary facilities?
- What is the timeline regarding the adoption of the strategy on national minorities and can the government ensure that an OSCE HCNM-compliant strategy will be adopted by the end of this year? Why has the strategy not been adopted already?

#### **NORWAY**

- Moldova has a very high proportion of judgments from the European Court of Human Rights which have not been fully executed. A pilot judgement from the ECHR even concluded that Moldova has a structural problem with non-enforcement of judgements from the European Court. What measures are the Moldovan authorities taking to remedy this issue?
- The European Committee for the Prevention of Torture has pointed out several concerns pertaining to the conditions in Moldovan prisons, and have recommended the establishment of a National Preventive Mechanism. How do Moldovan authorities plan to follow up this recommendation?
- The European Commission against Racism and Intolerance (ECRI) has highlighted different forms of discrimination that the Roma community is facing in Moldova. How is the government of Moldova working to prevent and combat discrimination against the Roma community?
- What will the Republic of Moldova do in order to improve the procedure of appointment, transfer and promotion of judges to provide transparency in the judicial system and to ensure that the selection of judges is based on merits and not on discretion of the Supreme Council of Magistracy?
- What steps will the Moldovan Government take to fight high-level corruption? E.g., what practical steps will be taken to implement the new Law on the prosecution service and to strengthen the Anticorruption Prosecutor’s Office?
- What is the Moldovan Government doing to discourage self-censorship by journalists?